

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:

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SUCTION DEVICE FOR INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINE

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RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 August 26, 2004

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated July 9, 2004, the time period for responding having been extended until September 9, 2004, Applicants hereby elect **Species XVI** (Figs. 50-52) without traverse, and which claims 28-36 and 38-44 are readable on the elected species.

To the extent necessary, Applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to the Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Docket No. 503.33468CC6), and please credit any excess fees to such Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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